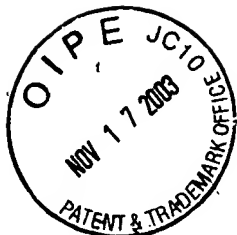


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AMENDMENT

This is in response to the Office Communication (Paper No. 18) mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 15, 2003.

In the Claims:

Please add new claims 56-62. Please re-write the claims as indicated below.

1. (Previously Presented) A composition comprising:

- (a) a biotin conjugate comprising:
 - (i) a biotin covalently coupled to
 - (ii) a pharmacologically active chemokine; and
- (b) an anti-biotin antibody selectively bound to said biotin to form a complex.

10. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 1, wherein the pharmacologically active chemokine has an agonist activity.

11. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 1, wherein the pharmacologically active chemokine has an antagonist activity.